

**Postsecondary Education  
Western Kentucky University**

	<b>Revised FY 2006</b>	<b>Requested FY 2007</b>	<b>Requested FY 2008</b>	<b>Recommended FY 2007</b>	<b>Recommended FY 2008</b>
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>General Fund</b>					
Regular Appropriation	71,963,200	85,666,400	93,817,000	79,666,100	78,647,400
Other	6,075,600				
<b>Total General Fund</b>	78,038,800	85,666,400	93,817,000	79,666,100	78,647,400
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
Current Receipts	157,685,200	175,046,300	183,059,900	175,046,300	183,059,600
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	157,685,200	175,046,300	183,059,900	175,046,300	183,059,600
<b>Federal Funds</b>					
Current Receipts	36,862,000	40,428,600	42,390,300	40,428,600	42,390,300
<b>Total Federal Funds</b>	36,862,000	40,428,600	42,390,300	40,428,600	42,390,300
<b>TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>	272,586,000	301,141,300	319,267,200	295,141,000	304,097,300
<b>EXPENDITURES BY CLASS</b>					
Personnel Cost	144,893,600	160,877,500	171,729,700	158,100,600	162,194,900
Operating Expenses	74,037,400	81,591,600	85,570,800	78,368,200	79,935,700
Grants, Loans or Benefits	42,188,000	46,088,000	49,988,000	46,088,000	49,988,000
Debt Service	5,006,500	5,018,700	4,058,500	5,018,700	4,058,500
Capital Outlay	6,460,500	7,565,500	7,920,200	7,565,500	7,920,200
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	272,586,000	301,141,300	319,267,200	295,141,000	304,097,300
<b>EXPENDITURES BY FUND SOURCE</b>					
General Fund	78,038,800	85,666,400	93,817,000	79,666,100	78,647,400
Restricted Funds	157,685,200	175,046,300	183,059,900	175,046,300	183,059,600
Federal Funds	36,862,000	40,428,600	42,390,300	40,428,600	42,390,300
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	272,586,000	301,141,300	319,267,200	295,141,000	304,097,300
<b>EXPENDITURES BY UNIT</b>					
Benchmark Funding				1,658,500	2,530,200
Instruction	88,956,000	101,653,500	110,436,100	97,311,000	100,751,000
Research	9,758,000	10,173,800	10,402,700	10,105,200	10,265,500
Public Service	20,169,000	23,175,900	24,861,000	22,970,000	24,449,300
Libraries	6,425,000	7,567,600	8,242,600	7,293,100	7,693,700
Academic Support	11,982,000	13,193,200	14,463,000	12,850,100	13,250,700
Student Services	22,424,000	25,230,700	27,115,800	24,407,300	25,469,000
Institutional Support	28,746,500	31,030,400	31,399,200	30,412,800	30,164,100
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	23,596,000	25,602,800	27,437,500	25,305,700	25,987,200
Scholarships and Fellowships	39,012,000	41,158,100	42,647,400	40,472,000	41,274,700
Mandatory Transfers	5,006,500	5,018,700	4,058,500	5,018,700	4,058,500
Auxilliary Enterprises	16,511,000	17,336,600	18,203,400	17,336,600	18,203,400
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	272,586,000	301,141,300	319,267,200	295,141,000	304,097,300

Western Kentucky University (WKU), located in Bowling Green, Kentucky, was established by the General Assembly in 1906 when it created two schools for the training of teachers. On January 1, 1907, the Southern Normal School was transferred to the state of Kentucky, and the president of that institution became president of the Western Kentucky State Normal School. The 1922 General Assembly changed the name of the institution to the Western Kentucky State Normal School and

Teachers College and passed an enabling act permitting the institution to confer degrees. In 1930 the name was changed to the Western Kentucky State Teachers College, then to the Western Kentucky State College in 1948, and finally to Western Kentucky University in 1966.

As noted in its Campus Action Plan for 2005-2010, Western Kentucky University's goal, mandated by House Bill 1, is to have at least one nationally recognized program of distinction or one nationally recognized applied research program, as well as to work cooperatively with other postsecondary institutions to assure statewide access to baccalaureate and master's degrees of a quality at or above the national average.

To advance this agenda, WKU's programs have a strong liberal arts and sciences undergraduate core preparing students to live and work in a global society. It offers a comprehensive array of baccalaureate, master's, and specialist programs and may offer programs beyond the master's degree to meet the needs of teachers, educational leaders, and other certified personnel. Collaborative doctoral programs also may be offered through the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville to meet state needs, along with sub-associate or associate degree programs that meet local needs in consultation with KCTCS.

WKU boasts a number of nationally recognized graduate programs in targeted areas of opportunity, including its Programs of Distinction in journalism and forensics and applied research and technology. Distinctive educational experiences geared to the specific needs and interests of students include service learning, international education, and opportunities for discovery-based learning.

WKU maintains moderately selective to selective admissions with a commitment to recruiting a diverse student body. It serves the needs of traditional, nontraditional, and transfer students seeking baccalaureate and advanced degrees and recruits students nationally and internationally to increase intellectual capital and diversity.

WKU's priorities for action are applied research and scholarly activities that support the primary function of instruction and supplement efforts to improve economic and community development, with an emphasis on cave and karst studies, applied physics, folk studies, Kentucky life, literature, and history, the Civil War in the west, materials characterization and combustion, teacher effectiveness, entrepreneurship, rural health development, lifespan development, water quality, and applied engineering. As such, Western Kentucky University collaborates with entrepreneurs, business leaders, local and state officials, and citizens to identify and respond to regional needs for research, commercialization, and the workforce. It also provides or coordinates education services improve teacher quality and student performance in the region.

## **Policy**

The Governor's budget recommendation includes \$1,658,500 in fiscal year 2007 and \$2,530,200 in fiscal year 2008 from the General Fund for a base budget increase allocated from the benchmark funding formula.

The Governor's budget recommendation includes \$1,031,000 in fiscal year 2008 from the General Fund in the Council on Postsecondary Education's budget for debt service for capital projects in Part II of the Executive Appropriations Bill.